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► Calgary Flames goalie Miikka Kiprusoff deflects the puck with his glove in the second period of last night's game against the St. Louis Blues. The Flames won 6-0. Story, page 23.

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Minister of health wants proof

► Gene Zwozdesky challenges legislature member Raj Sherman to prove accusations of wrongdoing by Edmonton health officials

Alberta's health minister is telling a whistleblowing critic to put up or shut up over damning allegations of corruption by Edmonton health officials.

"It's very unfortunate when a member of this house stands up and uses the protection and the shield of immunity that this house provides and then casts aspersions or accusations or allegations against people he knows can't defend themselves," Gene Zwozdesky said in question period yesterday as caucus colleagues applauded.

"That is just absolutely wrong."

Zwozdesky was referring to comments made by Independent legislature member Raj Sherman.

Sherman, who is also an emergency-room doctor, told the house in question period Monday that his sources had told him about bribery, coercion, coverup and fraud that occurred about five years ago in the Edmonton health region.

He alleged that between 2001 and 2006, about 250 patients on a 1,200-patient waiting list for lung surgery died before they could get help due to scarce resources.

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What Raj Sherman alleged

- He claimed Edmonton health officials and the College of Physicians and Surgeons covered up deaths and either punished doctors who threatened to blow the whistle or bribed them with millions in tax dollars.
- He also accused local health officials of fraud. He alleged they kept two sets of financial books to cover up the millions of dollars in payments.
- Sherman cannot be sued for defamation for the comments, because question period gives him immunity. He did not repeat the allegations Monday to reporters outside the assembly chamber.
- Yesterday, he told a radio interviewer that he will back up his statements next week when he gets to ask another question in the legislature rotation. He also hinted he will broaden the scandal.
- He backtracked on the bribery allegations, however, suggesting payment actually came in the form of pork-barrel health jobs.

Sweet victory against the Blues

New and old come together

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Tick-tock goes debt clock

The National Debt Clock records Canada's federal debt as it accrues in real time, with increases of approximately \$1,400 per second. It started its cross-Canada journey Feb. 22 in Victoria and is set to come off tour at month's end.

'Some people don't want to get involved'

► 'Bystander effect' likely paved way for accused in alleged kidnapping of girl: Sociologist
► Suspect in custody following incident Thursday at Deerfoot Mall ► Police still taking tips



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A social phenomenon known as the "bystander effect" likely came into play as a convicted sex offender allegedly kidnapped a 10-year-old in public last week, says a local sociologist.

Bruce Ravelli, a professor at Mount Royal University, says people inherently assume someone else will step in when an incident

occurs in a busy setting.

"We don't want to get involved," Ravelli said. "Everybody feels that they're going to be the one that dives into the burning car, but no one really will unless you're the only one there."

Meanwhile, Calgary police told Metro yesterday they have received three tips from the public in regards to the alleged kidnapping. They believe the accused, John Francis

"If you're somebody that's going to stand up for yourself and keep yourself safe, you might not be the best (victim). That's what we tell kids."

JULIE FREEDMAN SMITH, PARENTING POWER

Dionne, may have carried the reluctant child out of the mall.

Acting Staff Sgt. Brad Moore called the incident "dynamic," noting the girl was found before being reported missing, which may be a possible reason other

witnesses have not come forward.

"Some people don't want to get involved," he said. "Some people see things and attribute it to something else. People don't realize how significant small little details

might have been in an investigation."

The incident also reaffirms the need for children to understand what to do if they are in an uncomfortable situation, says Julie Freedman Smith of Calgary's Parenting Power.

"We want to tell our kids anytime you are in a public place ... if you had to pick a stranger right now to get help from, who do you think would be the safest stranger?" she said.

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Woman who sold neglected puppy charged

Charges have been laid in the case of a neglected puppy sold over the Internet last month. Ashley Onen, 33, was charged Monday for allowing an animal in her care to be in distress —

a charge that could result in a maximum fine of \$20,000 and a lifetime prohibition from owning animals.

Last month, a one-year-old Bichon cross puppy was brought to the Calgary Humane Society by a woman who had purchased the dog over the Internet.

She paid cash for the dog in a grocery store parking lot and after removing the jacket the dog was wearing, she found it was malnourished and bruised. **METRO**

Cultivating food system

The City of Calgary is hoping to achieve a more cohesive food system in the city, incorporating everything from food production to recovering food waste.

The Community and Protective Services committee will receive a report today regarding the city's food priorities, said Carolyn Bowen, manager of the office of sustainability.

Bowen said the city is looking to create an action plan, which could initiate anything from more community gardens to a community composting

21 The number of public community gardens in Calgary in 2009, according to the Calgary Horticultural Society.

program.

"The work that we're proposing with the food assessment is actually going to be overseen by a community body, and the city would have a role in that," said Bowen.

Bowen said the goal is to begin executing an action plan in the fall.

KATIE TURNER

Wanted: Input on use of space

Calgarians hoping to have their say on the management plan for three public spaces can head online.

Residents can provide input on the use of River Park, Sandy Beach and Britannia Slopes from March 1 to 23 at calgary.ca/riverpark. The city will draft a plan and open it for public review in May.

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Watch for photo radar

Calgary police will be ramping up photo enforcement on some major arteries in the city throughout March.

Mobile photo radar will target drivers of the lead-footed variety on Deerfoot Trail, Sarcee Trail and Northmount Drive as well as in the communities of Monterey Park, Bowness, Rundle and Oakridge.

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Bolted PIN pads reduce tampering



► CPS Det. Mike Gervais discusses fraud on PIN pads.

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Thieves only need a few seconds with a PIN pad to tamper with the terminal, enabling them to download the credit and debit card information of everyone who then uses it, said Det. Mike Gervais of the Calgary Police Department.

It is precisely this type of crime that the police and Southcentre Mall are hoping to eliminate by having all 450 PIN pads in the mall secured to counters. Doing so by installing a simple stand bolted to counters makes it very difficult for thieves to tamper with the devices, explained Gervais.

"This is a very small and simple thing we can do to almost eliminate fraud," said Shawn Hanson, mall manager. He said the mall was willing to pay for installation with the hopes of making shoppers feel

Tips from the police department's economic fraud unit on how to protect yourself:

- Never give out your PIN.
- Watch your card closely — follow it to ensure clerks don't do anything out of the ordinary.
- Check debit and credit statements once a week.
- If you see a suspicious charge on your account or a clerk handling your card suspiciously, change your PIN immediately and contact your bank.

safer. "I hope it paves the way for other retailers across the city," added Hanson, who admitted that the mall has had incidents of PIN-pad tampering in the past — since to date only 20 per cent of pads are locked down.

Calgarians seek escape from the chill

With frigid temperatures remaining in the forecast, Calgarians may be dreaming of a sandy beach vacation but according to one travel expert, deals may be few and far between.

Local travel agent V.J. Marwah with Marlin Travel said business has been steady for the last few days and many people want the next flight out.

"Some people just want to leave," he said. "They want to go sometime this week or next

week. They just want to go ASAP."

However, Allison Wallace spokeswoman for Flight Centre said heading into peak season, snagging a good deal could be hard.

"We're just about to hit peak season with spring breaks, so there's not a huge amount of last-minute deals," she said.

CTV meteorologist David Spence said a break from the cold weather isn't in sight for



► Calgarians are packing up and taking to the skies.

the near future.

"Nothing is set in stone, but from the way it looks now it's going to stay cold for some time to come." **KATIE TURNER**

USE YOUR IPHONE

Plus 15? There's an app for it

Calgarians looking to avoid the winter chill will have to look no further than their iPhones to find the nearest Plus 15 downtown.

After finding the data was available on the

city's website, Bryan Maniotakis of Medium-rare said they decided to develop an app that displays the Plus 15 map in the core.

"We always kind of wonder if we can get from A to B taking a Plus 15, so a lot had to do with us wanting to know on our own," he said.

Maniotakis said the app will likely be launched in the next few weeks and will be free to download.

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Pastoor steps in as party's No. 2

Lethbridge-East MLA Bridget Pastoor has been named deputy leader of Alberta's official opposition party, according to a release from the Liberals.

Before being elected to the legislature in 2004, Pastoor served on Lethbridge city council and worked as a registered nurse.

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Wildrose is growing on Oberg

Lyle Oberg, a former Progressive Conservative cabinet minister, has announced he is joining the Wildrose Alliance Party.

Last week's budget deficit was cited as the final push. Oberg will introduce Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith at her Edmonton leader's dinner today.

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Old mingles with new at CBE's digs



► Renovated sandstone school a feature ► 500 to move in by June



The Calgary Board of Education's new headquarters will feature a mix of new technology and old-school learning.

The centre, at 1221-8th St. SW, consists of two buildings, a newly constructed complex and the renovated Dr. Carl Safran School.

"I think it's important that we know where we came from, and honour our forebears," said CBE trustee George Lane during a tour yesterday.

The two buildings are linked and will feature numerous amenities, including a new boardroom for trustee meetings; classroom and lecture space, both in new and historical settings; as well as an

The blackboard

- The new centre features about 220,000 square feet of leasable office space.
- The headquarters' lease is estimated to have cost \$285 million.
- A request for an independent review of the lease by trustee Sheila Taylor and education advocates was voted down in January.

emergency-response centre in the event of a school crisis.

Space has been reserved to display student artwork.

"Yes, it's an office building, but this is also intended to develop a great education system in Calgary," said Stephen Mahler, with Gibbs Gage Architects, who worked in a primary role on the centre.

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Ramping up relief in Libya

► Canada's military aircraft have made trips into Libya to deliver supplies and rescue Canadian and other citizens

Canada will send a warship to Libya, adding to the international military buildup in the region, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said yesterday.

The Halifax-based frigate HMCS Charlottetown is expected to conduct as-yet-undefined humanitarian relief operations in conjunction with an American carrier battle group led by the nuclear-powered USS Enterprise.

Harper said the warship departs today.

"Our government's priority remains the safe evacuation of Canadians from Libya," said Jay Paxton, a spokesman for De-

"Our government's priority remains the safe evacuation of Canadians from Libya."

JAY PAXTON, A SPOKESMAN FOR DEFENCE MINISTER PETER MACKAY

fence Minister Peter MacKay.

News of the short-notice deployment came on the same day that a Canadian military Hercules transport, en route to pick up oil workers, was turned back from Libya.

The British have used one of their frigates to evacuate its citizens from the port city of Benghazi.

A spokesman for the Ottawa-based overseas headquarters confirmed an air force C-130J Hercules was thwarted from its mission yesterday about halfway between Malta and the troubled North African nation.

The transport was headed into Tripoli.

The reason for the denial was owing to a shortage of ramp space at Tripoli International Airport, said Maj. Andre Saloum, spokesman for Canadian Forces Expeditionary Command.

It's the latest in a string of setbacks for the Canadian evacuation effort.

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Rogers takes fee fight

"The CRTC even acknowledged that it was a problem because they referred it directly to the courts without even rendering it to us."

PHIL LIND, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF ROGERS COMMUNICATIONS INC.

The battle over whether broadcasters have the right to charge cable and satellite providers for carrying their programs is headed to the Supreme Court.

Rogers Communications Inc. said yesterday it will file for a leave to appeal with the top court over a decision this week by the Federal Court of Appeals.

That court ruled 2-1 that the CRTC had the right to establish a regime

whereby broadcasters could attach a monetary value to their signals. The CRTC itself had referred the matter to the court as it announced its plans for embarking on the regime.

But the fact that the Federal Court of Appeals' decision was not unani-

mous made an appeal more tempting.

"It's not a question of it's a slam dunk and there was a 3-0 decision and the court ruled on the actual law. It's a different story than that altogether," said Phil Lind, vice-chairman of Rogers Communications Inc.

Rescue attempt will lead to deaths: Pirate

Any attempt to rescue a Danish family captured by pirates in the Indian Ocean will result in their deaths, just like the four American yachters slain by their captors last week, a Somali pirate warned yesterday.

Maritime experts said the Danes — a couple

with three children aged 12 to 16 — placed themselves in grave danger by sailing into pirate-infested waters off Somalia's lawless coast despite warnings from naval forces struggling to police the area. They were captured last Thursday.

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Russian strays saved

Moscow's thousands of stray dogs have something to wag their tails about. Animal-rights activists say the city has dropped a plan to round them up and ship them to a camp far outside of town. Some said the unit was like a concentration camp for dogs.

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► The Canadian navy is sending HMCS Charlottetown to the waters off Libya, adding to the international military buildup in the region.

Crackdown

Since the revolt against Moammar Gadhafi's 41-year rule began two weeks ago, his regime has launched the harshest crackdown in the Arab world.

- Gadhafi has lost control of the eastern half of the country. He still holds the capital, Tripoli, and some nearby cities.
- The death toll has been difficult to obtain in the chaos, but a medical com-

mittee in the eastern city of Benghazi, where the uprising began on Feb. 15, said at least 228 people have been killed, including 30 unidentified bodies, and 1,932 injured.

- UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon has cited reports that about 1,000 may have died in the uprising and the government's violent crackdown on Gadhafi critics.
- The U.S. moved naval and air forces closer to Libya on Monday and said all options were open.

Attacks

REBELS HOLD ON

Residents of the rebel-held city closest to Libya's capital celebrated with a victory march yesterday after repelling an overnight attack by Moammar Gadhafi's forces. But troops loyal to the longtime leader clamped down on a strategic mountain town as they fought to reclaim areas near Tripoli, residents said.

Witnesses in Zawiya said pro-Gadhafi forces battled rebels for six hours overnight but could not retake control of the city 50 kilometres west of Tripoli. They said the last of several assaults by the Gadhafi loyalists came at around 3 a.m. local time.

Residents of Zawiya paraded through the city's main square. Some carried on their shoulders an air force colonel they said had just defected to the rebels' side.

"We were worried about air raids but that did not happen," said one resident, who spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of reprisals.

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up to Supreme Court

Rogers and other distributors of TV network signals argue that the so-called value-for-signal issue falls under the Copyright Act and the question of royalties, and is not in the jurisdiction of the CRTC.

Justice Marc Nadon agreed.

Lind added: "The CRTC even acknowledged that it was a problem because they referred it directly to the courts without even rendering it to us. They

knew it was going to be a problem."

Since the value-for-signal debate began, major networks such as CTV and Global have been purchased by the very distributors they were fighting.

Rogers will likely be joined by other cable and satellite firms in filing the leave to appeal. While it didn't indicate which companies, Bell Aliant was among those who made submissions in the lower court's case.

The cable and satellite companies have warned that the extra costs will be passed on to consumers. Lind estimates cable and satellite companies would wind up paying \$5 or more per subscriber for TV signals.

The private broadcasters had warned that without the extra funds, they would have to shut down more local stations and cut back on Canadian productions.

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Japanese tower claims new record

A transmission tower under construction in Tokyo has become the world's tallest freestanding broadcast structure, its owners said yesterday.

The Tokyo Sky Tree project surpassed a tower in China by reaching 601 metres, the company said.

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this year, it will stand 634 metres, said Hirotake Takanashi, spokesman for Toto Tower Sky Tree Co. It will replace a 327-metre tower built in 1958.

Japan's six top broadcasters are building the tower in the city's Sumida district.

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NDP seeks referendum on abolishing Senate

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► NDP Leader Jack Layton, on crutches yesterday because of a hip injury, says the prime minister has "lost touch with the idea of fair play."

► Layton wants a sober second thought on Tory-packed body

The New Democrats are calling for a national referendum on abolishing the Senate.

The Tories have reneged on their promises for reform and it's time to take the matter to Canadians, NDP Leader Jack Layton said yesterday.

His party is floating the idea of a referendum, as well as the creation of a committee to examine electoral reform, in an opposition motion under debate this week.

"The complexity of doing anything with our Constitution and our governance structure is difficult but for that reason we continue to avoid it, we complain about it, we point out its deficiencies and we don't really do anything about it," said New Democrat MP David

"Canadians want politics to be more than just 'gotcha,' more than just the scandals of the day."

MP DAVID CHRISTOPHERSON

Christopherson, who sponsored the proposal.

Layton says the idea of the Senate being a place of sober second thought is impossible when it's stacked with Tory insiders.

The motion was supposed to be debated yesterday but the Tories put off the discussion until today, when it is being given less time.

"Debate cut by two-thirds — that sort of fits with Stephen Harper's approach to Parliament," Layton said.

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Just sayin'

PAUL SULLIVAN



Two of our nation's most prominent icons came together in a Vancouver suburb Monday, as overflow patients at the Royal Columbian Hospital were treated at the hospital's Tim Hortons doughnut shop.

Which proves that if you live long enough, you'll get to write at least one totally mind-blowing paragraph just like that one.

But it's all true. They had 190 patients in the ER, and because all the broom closets were full, they moved the table and chairs out of the café and moved the patients and the gurneys in.

Hospital personnel got a little confused as the doughnut shop performed double-double duty as an extension of the ER.

Nurses caught themselves telling patients to roll up their rims instead of their sleeves and wanted to know if that EKG was to go. "You want it toasted?"

You want to know what's really hilarious? The doughnut shop is actually part of the hospital's official overflow plan. Some poor sap was forced to stand in front of the TV cameras and actually maintain they would do it again the next time they have 190 patients at

once.

Yeah, right. Which is it? A cleverly designed PR move to shame the province into forking over more money to the hospital, a sneaky plot to introduce private (franchise, no less) health care, a new way for ER personnel to get their coffee breaks on a busy night or a complete breakdown of the Canadian health-care system.

If you ticked All of the Above, you're probably

right. Have a Timbit. Have another one.

I'm sorry, but a doughnut shop is a great place to get a cup of cof-

fee and one (maybe two) of those tasty walnut-crunch numbers. It's not a great place to find out if you have a broken leg or the chicken pox. It's not on the menu.

It's also unfortunate for U.S. President Barack Obama, who's trying to convince his fellow Americans to make the U.S. system more like Canada's. I'm not sure what Rush Limbaugh will make of the spectacle of treating ER patients at Dunkin' Donuts, but, by the looks of him, he's at least familiar with the product.

Of course, it's not all bad. Where else can you get a BP/blood work combo with extra-large coffee? And it comes with a choice of biscuit or English muffin.

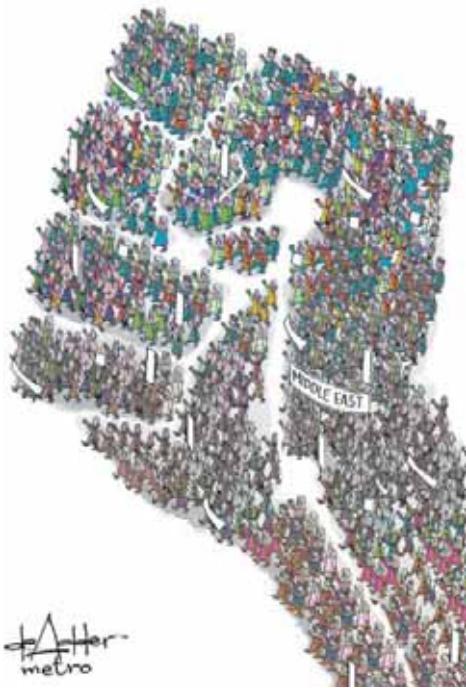


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MICHAEL DE ADDER

Election call could cost vets



Letters & Tweets

Where is the legislation?

The government of the day, through the minister of Veterans Affairs has made several announcements and promises on Bill C-55 (new veterans charter), which has received first reading in the House of Commons but has not progressed to the committee level. Similar announcements and promises have been made on Bill 480 by the minister of finance (removal of GST from poppies and wreath purchases), for which no legislation has yet been tabled.

As your readers know, the tabling and passage of these bills with royal ass-

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sent will not be possible should the government decide to call an election. The Royal Canadian Legion has written to both ministers on the matters of legislative procedure and has received assurances that these matters are being looked into.

These bills may die on the order paper, however, if an election is called.

This would leave Canada's disabled veterans, their families and The Royal Canadian Legion without the legislation they all need.

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Should colleges be held accountable if their grads don't get jobs?

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Carney stays course on interest rates

- Cites uncertainty in global economy, markets
- Unchecked dollar could sink recovery at home

The Bank of Canada is sticking with its trendsetting rate of one per cent for at least another six weeks, giving no hint yesterday about when it might raise the rate again to ward off inflation: an increasing threat given recent signs the economy is expanding strongly.

Few had expected bank governor Mark Carney to raise rates, but analysts were looking for a signal of future hikes after Monday's news that the economy grew by 3.3 per cent in the

final quarter last year, a full point higher than the bank had projected.

While the bank acknowledged the robust growth, it maintained that not much had in fact changed and that the risks to global recovery remain elevated. The bank also warned that the strong Canadian dollar and the poor productivity of Canadian firms will act as anchors to future export growth.

Economists noted that Carney likely wanted to avoid giving any more

boost to the loonie by signalling bullish intentions.

It may also be that, like some private-sector economists, Carney is skeptical that the better economic performance will hold up. Craig Alexander, TD Bank's chief economist, said he believes the quick start will yield to a steady slowdown as the year proceeds.

Economists mostly stuck to their predictions for when Carney will start hiking rates, ranging from May to the end of the year.

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Eye. Tracking



► Barbara Barclay of Tobii Technology Inc. demonstrates a prototype laptop that tracks and can be controlled by the eye movements of the user.

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Peering into the future

Ever wish your eyes were lasers? A laptop prototype brings that dream closer to reality by tracking your gaze and figuring out where you're looking on the screen. Tobii Technology Inc., the Swedish firm behind the technology, says the eye tracker works by shining two invisible infrared lights at you. Two hidden cameras then look for the glints off your eyeballs and reflections from each retina. Tobii has been making eye-tracking devices for researchers and the disabled for nearly a decade. The company hopes to expand eye-tracking beyond those niches into business and video games. Imagine the fun of blasting away bad guys with a laser that hits where you look.

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Oprah Winfrey is coming to Canada to promote OWN. Scan or visit metroneWS.ca for story.

No Adjustment needed for pair

► Chemistry between Damon and Blunt shines through in latest movie



► Matt Damon and Emily Blunt star in the Adjustment Bureau.

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The Adjustment Bureau may look like one of those serious-minded conspiracy films — and in a way it is, considering main character David Norris (Matt Damon) is being hunted down by strange suit-and-Fedora clad men trying to alter his destiny. But in sitting down with Damon and co-star Emily Blunt, there was more a mood of casual rom-com than nail-biting thriller, even after they were soberly asked to

recall a moment in their own lives when fate seemed to intervene.

"I think Emily's chance to work with me must've been one of those moments," Damon cracks without missing a beat.

Blunt sarcastically admits he's right and goes on to explain that getting into her second choice university was what effectively gave her the career she has today.

Damon counters by adding that if he had chosen to star in Werner Herzog's *Rescue Dawn* rather than the Farrelly Brothers' *Stuck on You*, he never



"Looking back on my career, I feel like as much as I tried to control as much as I could, a lot of it really is down to luck"

MATT DAMON ON THE ROLE OF FATE IN HIS CAREER

would have met his wife.

"Well, mine was better," Blunt quips at Damon.

"You went for the ro-

mance, you manipulated them."

It's obvious that the co-stars have a camaraderie that easily translates to Bureau, in which their characters meet by chance and share an instant attraction.

The mysterious titular bureau claims that the two cannot be together for reasons they cannot explain.

"What it really works as, is that the Adjustment Bureau is the obstacle to these people being together. It's never going to be *Inception* — it's never going to be that kind of intricate and complicated."



Comments get Galliano fired by Dior

John Galliano has been fired by Christian Dior, following yet further allegations of anti-Semitic remarks made by the flamboyant designer, while drinking in the Marais district of Paris.

"I unequivocally condemn the statements made by John Galliano, which are in total contradiction to the longstanding core values of Christian Dior," Sidney Toledano, chairman and chief executive officer of Christian Dior Couture said.

For the time being the show will remain on schedule but regardless of the strength of the collection it is unlikely to receive the acclaim that is usually associated with this talented designer.

At the present time, Dior has declined to comment on who is set to replace Galliano.

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Portman

Natalie Portman condemned alleged anti-Semitic comments made by designer John Galliano.

► Quote "I am deeply shocked and disgusted by the video of John Galliano's comments that surfaced today."

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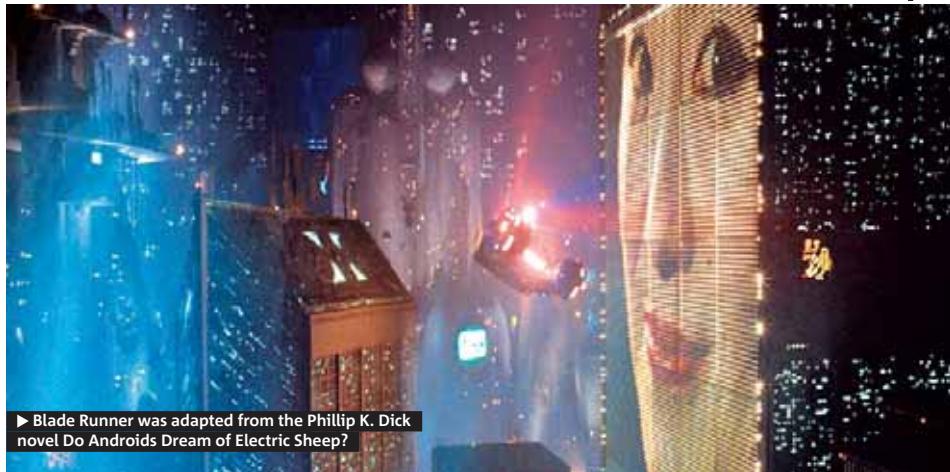
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► *Blade Runner* was adapted from the Phillip K. Dick novel *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*

For someone who once famously said, "You would have to kill me and prop my up in the seat of my car with a smile painted on my face to get me to go

near Hollywood," writer Phillip K. Dick certainly has a good Tinsel Town track record. Films based on his novels and short stories have made over \$1 billion, a figure that is bound to increase with the release of this weekend's *The Adjustment Bureau*.

Based on Dick's short story *Adjustment Team*, the film stars John

Slattery as a mysterious Adjustment Bureau agent who must keep star-crossed lovers Matt Damon and Emily Blunt apart. It follows along with at least one tradition typical of Dick's Hollywood adaptations — a title change.

Blade Runner was based on the 1968 novel *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?* The short story *We*

Can Remember It for You Wholesale became *Total Recall* and *Next*, the Nicolas Cage movie, was loosely based on the short story *The Golden Man*.

"Phil often commented that he couldn't write good titles," said Dick's ex-wife Tessa.

"If he could, he would have been an advertising writer instead of a

novelist."

Blade Runner is arguably Dick's most famous film but an early draft of the script so displeased Dick he went on the offensive, deriding it as *Phillip Marlowe meets The Stepford Wives*.

Later, however, when shown 20 minutes of special effects shots, the author came on board, say-

ing the footage of Los Angeles in 2019 looked "exactly as how I'd imagined it!"

Ironically, director Ridley Scott later let it slip that he had never even read Dick's book.

Total Recall also had a similar rocky development from page to stage. Early on David Cronenberg was attached to write and direct but walked from the project when producers told him they wanted to change the story into something akin to *Raiders of the Lost Ark* to *Mars*.

Eventually it was made as an incredibly violent Arnold Schwarzenegger film. Roger Ebert called "one of the most complex and visually interesting science fiction movies in a long time."

Despite the fact that Dick died in 1982 of a heart attack, interest in his work remains unabated. Disney is planning an animated adaptation of *King of the Elves* and Ridley Scott is reported to be producing a mini-series based on *The Man in the High Castle* for the BBC.

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Nothing suspect about Whitaker's latest TV role

► Best known for his Academy Award-winning movies, Forest facing new challenges on Criminal Minds series



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Academy Award-winning actor Forest Whitaker isn't necessarily a stranger to television, but *Criminal Minds: Suspect Behavior* marks his first lead role on a TV series. He says it's a decision he made partially to be home more with his family.

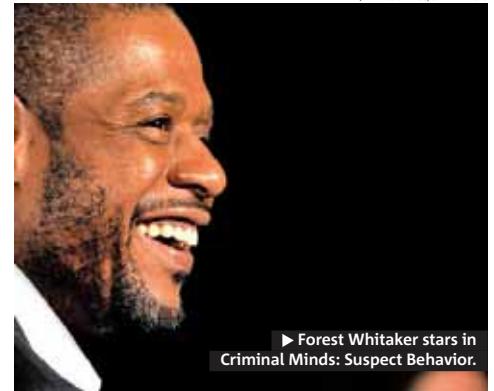
Whitaker spoke with Metro about moving to TV, reading people and fulfilling childhood dreams.

What made you take a full-time series TV role?

I never had my own show, but I got a chance to do it a couple times before. I did six episodes on *ER* once. It was a good experience. And I did, like, 11 episodes on *The Shield*, which was a great experience, developing that character. For this, it was the right time. I wanted to stay home for a while. I was offered a couple series at the same time. I chose to do this one because I was interested in exploring the human mind and the human psyche.

Was it a childhood dream of yours to be a cop or an FBI agent?

No. (laughs) But, you know, I did want to be a behavioural analyst. When I was a kid, I remember at kindergarten I told my class. They said, "What do



► Forest Whitaker stars in *Criminal Minds: Suspect Behavior*.

you want to be?" I said, "I want to be an ethologist." Everybody's like, "What?" And I was like, "Animal behaviourist." And so, I guess, in some ways, I'm still doing that.

Are you a good at reading people?

I don't think so. (laughs) I mean, I think I can look at people and see certain behaviours and certain things. But I think I'm a better people-reader when it doesn't have anything to do with me.

Your kids must be happy that you're close to home now and not travelling so much.

That's what they said. (laughs) I'm happy because you get to see things, like, on a daily basis. And I have two kids who are off to school, college, and I have two little

ones. I missed a lot. I've been there for my kids, but I haven't been there as much as I'd like. I've been a gypsy.

How would you say your show differs from the original *Criminal Minds*?

I think it's the nature of the people, experience and where they're coming from. First off, we're a red-cell unit, so we only report directly to the director of the FBI. We're a specialized unit. We have a guy who was a prisoner, you know, who's coming from the criminal minds, someone who's a sniper from overseas. Initially, we were supposed to be dealing with some international crimes and things like that. I don't know. We haven't really pursued a lot of that yet. I hope we will.

Cue the comeback cast

A boxing great, a model who survived an Indian Ocean tsunami and a grown-up Karate Kid will be hoofing it on the 12th season of *Dancing with the Stars*.

Welterweight champ Sugar Ray Leonard, model Petra Nemcova and Ralph Macchio of the hit 1984 karate movie will be among 11 celebrity contestants when the ABC show returns March 21.

The cast was announced Monday by *Dancing* hosts Tom Bergeron and Brooke Burke in segments that aired during an episode of ABC's *The Bachelor*.

claimed.

Also hitting the dance floor will be actress Kirstie Alley; Pittsburgh Steelers wide receiver Hines Ward; professional wrestler Chris Jericho; *Loveline* radio show co-host Mike Catherwood; onetime rap prodigy Romeo (former Lil' Romeo); Chelsea Kane of Disney Channel's *Jonas*; talk show host Wendy Williams and reality star Kendra Wilkinson.

Alley suggested the contestants' focus would be to "try not to fall on our butts the first week out. That's what I'm going for."

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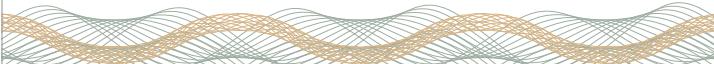
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Bad night out for Christina Aguilera

► Evening ends with singer's arrest ► Boyfriend faces DUI charge

Christina Aguilera was reportedly arrested early yesterday morning in West Hollywood for public intoxication, according to TMZ. Her boyfriend, Matthew Rutler, was

reportedly also arrested for a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence. Aguilera was "extremely intoxicated" and "unable to take care of herself," law

enforcement sources tell the website. Police initially pulled Rutler over because he was driving erratically.

"If the driver had not been arrested for DUI,

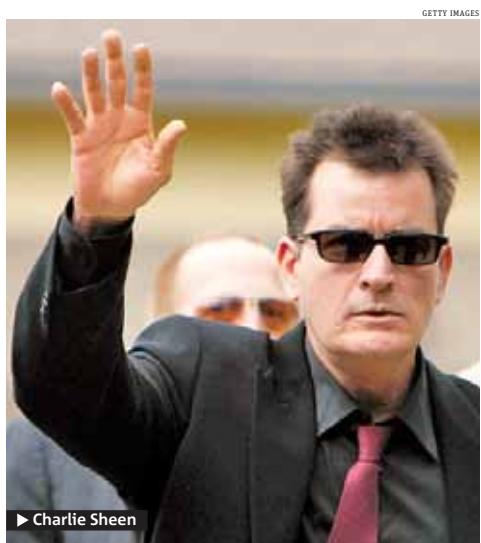
(Christina) would have never been in trouble," the source says.

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Sheen goes public, loses publicist

Charlie Sheen has been on the publicity offensive this week, doing as many interviews as he can to discuss his infamous fallout with CBS and the creator of Two and a Half Men, capping it off with a 45-minute live chat with website TMZ in his backyard.

When asked about his 10-month-old twin sons, Sheen motioned to the house and said, "They're right in there somewhere." When asked who was watching the toddlers, Sheen said, "Everybody here is parenting the kids." Shortly after the interview, Sheen's long-time publicist, Stan Rosenfield, quit. In response, Sheen told TMZ, "He's not allowed to quit, so you're fired." ● METRO



Celebrity tweets



Adam Lambert
[@Adam lambert]

Wow new Gaga video is wild and weird! I love the super 60's psychedelic intro. Like Barbarella meets Alien.



Ryan Seacrest
[@Ryan Seacrest]

Picked up chicken soft tacos on the way home and fell asleep at 9pm! Early morn.



Neil Patrick Harris
[@Actually NPH]

Charlie Sheen's done

lost his crackers... #teamcbs



Katy Perry
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Pressure over Gadhafi shows

Beyoncé Knowles, Mariah Carey, Usher and 50 Cent are among the entertainers being pressured to return money they have been paid for performing for Libyan dictator Moammar Gadhafi and his family, according to Rolling Stone. Carey, for instance, was reportedly paid \$1 million to perform

for Gadhafi's son at a New Year's Eve party in 2008.

Nelly Furtado has already posted on Twitter: "In 2007, I received (\$1 million) from the Gadhafi clan to perform a 45-minute show for guests at a hotel in Italy. I am going to donate the (money)." ● METRO

Paltrow serious about singing



trow has made waves with her singing recently in film in Country Strong, on TV on Glee and at awards shows like the Grammys and the Oscars. So naturally the next question is when will she sign a record deal? It may be soon, Paltrow admits.

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Through my helmet I could barely hear the other zip liners cheering me on as I laughed like a kid on a rollercoaster. A spectacular view of the Humber Valley, cut through the foothills of the Appalachian Mountain Range — the same peaks that extend into Georgia — flashed past.

And before I knew it, I was slowing down as the cable angled upward toward the waiting guide who caught my lines at the re-

ceiving platform.

Now that's a knee-wobbling rush.

Marble Zip Tours offers eight lines criss-crossing the spectacular Steady Brook Falls near Corner Brook, N.L. The longest ride sprawls across 420 metres and is aptly described in promotional brochures as a heady blend of parachuting and flying.

But if hurtling over a deep void isn't quite your speed, Marble Mountain is also a winter wonderland featuring world-class skiing and snowboarding.

World-class skiing on The Rock? It's a fact so little known that lineups for chairlifts with names like "Newfie Bullet" are astoundingly short. They head up to 37 trails ranging from leisurely runs to double-black-diamond vertical drops of up to 519 metres.

And of course there's lots of typical Newfoundland humour. One run is called Blow Me Down, or as it's also simply referred to, OMJ, or Oh My Jesus.

Marble Mountain is geographically blessed with a climate that is typically one of the snowiest in Canada. But when the peaks were still bare in early January, panicked locals organized a snow dance. The region has been blasted with about two metres of powder ever since, creating some of the best skiing and snowboarding conditions in recent memory. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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In the new film, *The Adjustment Bureau*, Matt Damon and Emily Blunt run around a futuristic New York City, pursued by shadowy agents that are out to get them. But the Big Apple is even more fun with all the conspiracy theories and gun-toting baddies. Metro rounds up some of the best spots in the city as featured on the silver screen.



THE ADJUSTMENT BUREAU Brooklyn Bridge

Before Matt Damon's rising politician ends up on the run, he's busy running for office, using landmarks including the famous bridge as backdrops for his campaign speeches. The first-ever steel-wire suspension bridge is one of the city's enduring landmarks and a great place to start your own chase scenes. A walk across also puts visitors in the right place to explore the gorgeous architecture of Brooklyn Heights.



I AM LEGEND Washington Square Park

In this dystopian zombie flick, Will Smith holes up in one of the fancy townhouses alongside Greenwich Village's main attraction. Luckily for visitors, there aren't hordes of blood-thirsty monsters stalking the Washington Square Arch — and the park has just completed a \$16 million refurbishment, sprucing up the unofficial centre of New York University's campus and aligning its famous fountain with that arch.



DIE HARD WITH A VENGEANCE Central Park

The massive park in Manhattan is featured in many films, most thrillingly in the third chapter in the Die Hard franchise, when Det. John McClain (Bruce Willis) commandeers a cab and careens through the park to beat traffic. We don't recommend off-road driving — Central Park is a nature conservancy — but take a cue from the film and explore the less-familiar northern end of the park, for gems including the Harlem Meer and the Great Hill.



BLACK SWAN Lincoln Center

While much of the action in this Oscar-nominated psychological thriller happens inside New York's famed ballet theatre, the surrounding area still gets a chance to show off. And it has plenty to boast about, as Lincoln Center recently underwent a four-year face-lift, with magnificent new facades and promenades worth checking out. Plus, with numerous performance venues including the homes of the Metropolitan Opera, there's plenty for connoisseurs of the arts to explore.



GHOSTBUSTERS 2 The Statue of Liberty

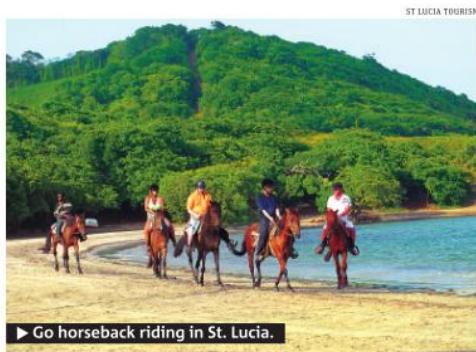
No visit to the Big Apple would be complete without checking out Lady Liberty, which came to life to save the day in this 1989 sequel. There's no word on whether she'll reprise her role for the anticipated *Ghostbusters 3*, but she's still accepting visitors in New York Harbor. And while the city would frown on your bringing the statue to life using ectoplasm and guiding it across the river to Manhattan, you can still visit for an awesome view of the city and experience a piece of New York history.

The different sides of St. Lucia



This stunning island with its famous forested peak combines the best of what the Caribbean has to offer: the scenery, the sites, the sand and the super hotels and restaurants.

Water babies will love it here — St. Lucia has some of the best diving in the Caribbean, with natural coral around the underwater volcano that surrounds the island as well as artificial sites grown from shipwrecks. The perfect place to head underwater is Anse Chastenet beach, in the middle of a marine park with a fish-heavy reef just 10 metres from the sand. Book through Scuba St Lucia (scubastlucia.com).



► Go horseback riding in St. Lucia.

From mid-March to the end of July, St. Lucia has some shy and rather elusive visitors — turtles. They're most likely spotted on the wild sweep of Grande Anse beach.

If you're keen on sightseeing, you can drive right

up to the belching, bubbling Soufrière Volcano — a reminder of the island's origins and the reason its beaches come with black sand (admission \$1.25). But it's the surroundings that make the trip. This part of St. Lucia is stunning, with

the peaks of the Pitons rising from the coast, and a maze of inland roads hemmed by old plantations and sleepy, pastel villages.

The potholed, meandering roads of this island mean you'll soon want a break from driving. Consider swapping four wheels for four legs on a trail round crumbling Morne Coubaril sugar plantation (every day 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., \$10): a horseback tour here takes in the dramatic sweep of beach at its very edges, the old mansion at its heart, and the various methods with which they cultivate coca, copra and manioc.

Party time comes at the end of the working week in St. Lucia, with casual Friday night parties in small villages and towns.

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► These two creative recipes prove that there's a lot more to sandwiches than just ham and cheese
 ► Whether your preference is fish or beef, these are perfect for lunch, dinner or a snack

Pulled Beef Sandwich



Perfect for a cold night's dinner, this Pulled Beef sandwich is a new take on a favourite usually made with pork. This recipe, adapted from The Canadian Press, makes enough for leftovers, too!

Preparation:

1 Heat Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Brown beef on all sides. Remove to plate.

2 Pour remaining oil into same pan. Add onion, celery and peppers and cook, stirring often, for about 5 minutes or until the onions are translucent. Stir the tomatoes, beef broth, oregano, salt and pepper. Add beef back into

the pan with any accumulated juices, nestling it in the sauce so that it is completely submerged (add more broth if necessary). Bring to a boil.

3 Cover and transfer to a 325 F (160 C) oven and cook, turning occasionally for about 2 1/2 hours or until fork tender. Let cool slightly and using two forks pull roast apart, discarding any fatty bits.

4 Serve the pulled beef sandwich on warm buns or in warmed tortillas.

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Ingredients:
 • 3 lb (1.5 kg) boneless beef blade roast
 • 2 tbsp (30 mL) vegetable oil
 • 1 onion, chopped
 • 1 celery stalk, chopped
 • 2 cubanelle peppers, chopped
 • 1 can (19 oz/540 mL) diced tomatoes
 • 1 cup (250 mL) beef broth (approx)
 • 1 tsp (5 mL) each dried oregano leaves, salt and pepper
 • Rub beef with half oil

The joys of fried fish – minus the frying

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This recipe for "Fried" Haddock with Red Thai Curry Mayo, adapted from the Associated Press, manages to find a creative way to infuse a basic baked "fried" haddock with the delicious taste of Thai red curry paste.

Making the fish couldn't be simpler. Just whisk eggs, mayo and mustard in one shallow bowl, and fill a second with panko breadcrumbs.

Then, dredge haddock fillets through the egg mixture, then through the panko, then bake them on a sheet in the oven.

Adding the gentle yet complex spicy heat of red curry paste is also made easy. Whip it into the mayonnaise, then slather that on a bun, add the fish and call it a day.

Preparation:

1 In a bowl, whisk together eggs and mustard. In another bowl, place breadcrumbs.

Ingredients:

- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp (5 mL) Dijon mustard
- 1 1/2 cups (375 mL) panko breadcrumbs
- 1 lb (500 g) haddock fillets, divided into 4 pieces
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup (50 mL) light mayonnaise
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) Thai red curry paste
- 8 large Boston or bibb lettuce leaves
- 4 hamburger buns

2 Season the haddock with salt and pepper. Dredge each piece of haddock in the egg mixture, letting excess drip off then coat in breadcrumbs evenly on both sides. Arrange fillets on greased baking sheet. Bake in 400 F (200

C) oven for about 10 minutes or until fish flakes when tested with a fork.

3 Meanwhile, in small bowl, whisk together mayonnaise and curry paste. Divide mixture over the bottom half of

each bun, then top each with 2 lettuce leaves. Set haddock over lettuce and serve immediately.

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Slip on your interviewer's shoes

► When attempting to land that dream job, it's important to consider what the recruiter wants to hear



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Getting dressed for a job interview?

Start by "putting yourself in the shoes of an employer and think what they would want to hear," says Laura DeCarlo, an interview coach.

Leenie Glickman, a career counselor from Boston, adds, "think about what they would

want to hire.

"Prepare by writing down what traits and skills they would be looking for," she says. "Then it's almost irrelevant what they ask you because you already know what you want to tell them."

A command of the conversation puts your interviewers at ease, which you want to do during an interview.

"As a job seeker, yes, you have a lot of fear, but

in reality, it's just dress rehearsal," she continues. "If you get it wrong, you can always keep applying, keep learning. But an em-

ployer has a whole lot at risk when they're interviewing job seekers. They can be very insecure."

They can also be dis-

mally unprepared, she adds.

"There are a variety of unprepared interview types," she says. "They range from the leads-the-interview-astray-talking-about-wife-and-kids interviewer to the interviewer who is so shy and quiet that you're going to have a stilted interview if you're not outgoing and personable."

If you find yourself locked in an inquisition with a manager like that,

be ready to manage your talk time like a chess player slapping the clock, Glickman suggests.

Studies show a jobseeker should speak about 20 per cent of the time during their first round interview.

"The best interviews are the ones where it's interactive," she notes. "They ask you a question, you give them the answer, you come back with a question. It feels conversational."

Just Google 'em!

It's a 21st century given that your job interviewer is going to Google you – and probably gawk at all those Facebook photos you left online. But the web's translucent curtain goes both ways.

Take advantage!

► "All these companies have LinkedIn groups," Glickman points out. "Use LinkedIn's advance search functions. Search for people who work at that company and find out more about them."

Doctors are getting a tech check-up

An initiative has been launched to better prepare Canadian medical students to practise in modern, technology-enabled clinical environments.

The Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada and Canada Health Infoway want medical schools, students and residents to join in a three-year project to strengthen learning in effective clinical use of information and communications technologies.

"In Canada and around the world, clinicians are improving quality of care, access and productivity through the use of information and communications technologies," said Jennifer Zelmer of Health Infoway, a federally funded organization formed to accelerate development



► The Clinicians in Training program targets students and residents.

of information technology projects across the

country.

"By giving clinicians in training a good foundation on the effective use of these tools in clinical practice, physicians of tomorrow can better harness these benefits in their practices and for their patients," she said.

The Clinicians in Training project aims to improve clinical practice and patient care by supporting medical students and residents in their adoption and use of information and communications technologies, such as electronic medical records.

The program, involving Canada's 17 faculties of medicine, will include creation and sharing of curriculum-based resources and e-learning tools.

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"It's easier to remove a tattoo," says Kenny Ossen, director of communications and broadcast media for SocialShield, a service designed to inform parents about social media.

While students can't change who they are, they have the control to refine their image. And it may be easier than you think.

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In siding with the employer, a court found that Chen had attempted to embarrass both his managers and the board of directors in the eyes of the company's shareholders, and that by doing so without a good reason, his termination was subsequently upheld.

Conversely, when Dawn Marie Bennett became concerned with the way her boss ran the small office where she worked, she complained. However, it was to no avail.

When the issues mounted, Bennett delivered a letter to her boss accusing her of being dishonest and negligent and suggesting that she was disorganized and incompetent. Bennett was fired almost immediately.

Unlike the other two cases, here the court sided with the employee.

Why?

Because Bennett's letter, while harshly worded, was intended to be kept private and not to embarrass her boss or the company for which she worked.

In all three cases, the courts accepted that employees are generally entitled to criticize superiors without fear of immediate dismissal.

However, sometimes silence can be golden. While employees will often have complaints that are reasonable or justified, the manner and tone in which they express them must always remain professional.

When such criticism goes over the edge, an employer is not required to tolerate it.

Tech Tips

- If you wouldn't send a photo to your grandmother or college admissions counsellor, don't post it online.
- Make sure all content is set to private. Anyone can get hold of information if you don't protect it.
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► Red-hot Flames goalie shuts out St. Louis for second game in a row

Miikka Kiprusoff shut out the St. Louis Blues for the second time in three days and Jarome Iginla had two goals and an assist in the Calgary Flames' 6-0 victory last night.

Iginla's line totalled nine points, with Alex Tanguay getting a goal and two assists and Brendan Morrison adding three assists. The Flames finished 3-0 against the Blues, outscoring them 11-1, and have won eight of the last 10 in St. Louis.

Making his 17th consecutive start, Kiprusoff stood out against a team that hadn't been blanked in an NHL-high 110 games before losing 1-0 Sunday night in Calgary. Kiprusoff stopped 25 shots for his sixth shutout of this season and 40th of his career, and hasn't allowed the Blues to score in 132 minutes and 11 seconds.

The Blues threatened several times, but were often stymied by shots that either couldn't make it to the net or sailed wide. St. Louis had 27 shots in the loss at Calgary.

Calgary led 1-0 after two periods on Tanguay's 17th of the season off Iginla's strip of defenceman Barret Jackman be-



hind the St. Louis net in the first period. The Flames busted loose in the third against 23-year-old goalie Ben Bishop, making his third straight start in place of the injured Jaroslav Halak.

Iginla scored his 26th on a 2-on-1 break with Morrison early in the period and got his 27th midway through the period. David Moss and Robyn Regehr added power-play goals against Bishop, who had stopped 58 of 59 shots his previous two starts and was in goal in Sunday's 1-0 loss.

Niklas Hagman made it a five-goal third period with 4.8 seconds to go.

The Flames have scored in 21 of their last 24 games.

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► Cory Sarich congratulates Miikka Kiprusoff after his shutout.

Opinion

BRIAN COSTELLO
THE HOCKEY NEWS



SEA OF RED SET UP FOR A LETDOWN

For the Calgary Flames to make anything of this season, they're going to have to make the playoffs, win at least one round and then do some deft accounting in the off-season.

If that doesn't happen, 2010-11 will one day be looked upon as a year of lost opportunity. Because of Calgary's terrific surge the past two months, acting GM Jay Feaster really had no choice but to keep his aging, but unified, team together and convert from expected seller to dollar-store buyer at the NHL's trade deadline.

Had the Flames even hovered around the .500 mark, Feaster would have considered trading defenceman Robyn Regehr, whose market value will never again be as high as it was Feb. 28, and even fielded offers for Jarome Iginla and Miikka Kiprusoff.

If Calgary wasn't in the playoff hunt, you can be sure pending unrestricted free agents Curtis Glencross, Alex Tanguay, Brendan Morrison, Anton Babchuk and Steve Staois would have been on the market to the highest bidders. And considering how each of them has played lately, they would have fetched decent returns in the form of much-needed prospects or draft picks.

But because those players are playing so well they've become indispensable heading into the stretch run. That's why

it will be interesting to see just what kind of a finish the team and the city will deem a success this season. Playoff berth and first-round exit? Probably disappointment. Playoff berth and second-round exit? Probably a sigh, but overall satisfaction because of the depths from which the team rose.

Beyond that is too much to expect, much less anticipate.

Just missing out on the playoffs would be the worst of both worlds. Not only did their run get snuffed out, but the second-oldest team has scant prospects in the system, just one draft pick in the top 100 in June and not enough money in the kitty to keep their UFAs. Sounds like the Toronto Maple Leafs of a couple of years ago.

Make it to the playoffs or not, Feaster has some tough decisions to make this summer. He's already made some compelling ones regarding Ales Kotalik and Niklas Hagman. Matt Stajan can't be too far behind.

In the meantime, it's playoffs or bust for the Flames. Because missing the playoffs would be a tough pill to swallow in Calgary for more reasons than just this one season.

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The Flames continue their trip through the American Midwest with their second game in two nights. GM Jay Feaster added forward Fredrik Modin and defenceman Brett Carson at the trade deadline.



Chicago (34-23-6) will be trying out newly acquired defenceman Chris Campoli against the Flames. Campoli, picked up from the Senators on Monday, hopes to help keep Chicago's five-game winning streak alive.

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d-Detroit	63	39	18	4	2	213	183	84	17-10-3	22-8-1-2	7-3-0-0	W2
d-San Jose	63	36	21	4	2	178	162	78	15-10-2	21-11-2-1	9-1-0-0	W6
Phoenix	65	33	22	6	4	186	189	76	15-11-3-2	18-11-3-2	6-3-0-1	L4
Calgary	65	33	23	3	6	182	175	75	19-10-3	19-12-3-2	6-2-1-1	W2
Los Angeles	63	35	24	2	2	178	156	74	19-10-1-0	16-11-1-2	6-2-1-1	L1
Chicago	63	34	23	2	4	202	174	74	19-14-0-0	15-9-3-3	7-1-0-2	W5
Dallas	63	34	23	2	4	174	177	74	18-13-2-3	16-14-0-1	4-5-1-0	W3
Nashville	64	32	23	5	4	167	153	73	15-7-4-3	17-16-1-2	4-4-1-1	L1
Minnesota	63	33	24	1	5	163	166	72	16-13-0-3	17-11-1-2	5-4-0-1	L1
Anaheim	63	33	25	3	2	176	186	71	18-10-1-1	15-12-2-1	5-4-0-1	W1
Columbus	61	31	24	3	1	170	181	68	16-13-0-2	15-11-3-1	6-3-0-1	L1
St. Louis	63	28	26	4	5	173	186	65	16-11-3-3	10-15-3-2	4-6-0-0	L2
Colorado	63	26	30	7	0	183	217	59	14-15-4-0	12-15-3-0	1-8-1-0	L3
Edmonton	64	21	35	1	7	160	212	50	11-19-1-3	10-16-1-3	5-5-0-0	W1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results

Calgary	6	St. Louis	0
Montreal	3	Atlanta	1
Boston	1	Ottawa	0
Buffalo	3	N.Y. Rangers	2
Carolina	2	Florida	1
Dallas	3	Phoenix	2
Washington	2	N.Y. Islanders	1 (OT)
Edmonton	2	Nashville	1 (SO)
Columbus	1	At Vancouver	
Colorado	1	San Jose	

CANADIENS 3, THRASHERS 1

First Period

1. Montreal, Pacioretty 12, 13:22

Penalties — Montreal bench (too many men; served by Pacioretty) 1:34, Stuart Atl (slashing) 4:54, Plekanec Mtl (interference) 9:18, Stewart Atl (cross-checking) 20:00.

Second Period

2. Montreal, Wisniewski 7 (Kostkyns, Desharnais) 0:34 (pp).

Penalties — Montreal bench (too many men; served by Kostkyns) 1:59, Price Mtl (delay of game; served by Pacioretty) 6:18, Enstrom Atl (hooking) 11:12, Kostkyns Mtl (hooking) 11:22, Hainsey Atl (hooking) 17:44, Byfuglien Atl (high-sticking) 19:00.

Third Period

3. Atlanta, Antropov 11 (Stewart) 14:14

4. Montreal, Gionta 23 (Gomez, Pacioretty) 19:14 (en)

Penalties — Plekanec Mtl (interference), Thorburn Atl (roughing) 0:21.

Shots on goal by

Montreal 5 8 10 —23

Atlanta 9 16 16 —41

Goal — Montreal: Price (W,29-21-6); Atlanta: Mason (L,8-9-3). Power plays (goals-chances) — Montreal: 1-5; Atlanta: 0-5.

Attendance — 11,156 (18,545) at Atlanta.

BRUINS 1, SENATORS 0

First Period

— No Scoring.

Penalties — None.

Second Period

— No Scoring.

Penalty — Spezza Ott (tripping) 14:02.

Third Period

— No Scoring.

Penalties — Campbell Bos (charging) 3:24,

Condra Ott (hooking) 6:50, Marchand Bos (holding) 16:23.

Shots on goal by

Boston 6 9 6 —21

Ottawa 10 14 9 —33

Monday's results

Chicago 4 Minnesota 2

Detroit 7 Los Angeles 4

Tonight's games

All time Eastern

Pittsburgh at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 7 p.m.

Minnesota at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.

Calgary at Chicago, 9 p.m.

Detroit at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

FLAMES 6, BLUES 0

First Period

1. Calgary, Tanguay 17 (Iginla) 18:20

Penalty — Janssen Stl (charging) 11:25.

Second Period

— No Scoring.

Penalties

— Kostopoulos Cal (tripping) 7:33,

Buckles Stl (holding) 9:54, Sarich Cal (holding) 16:43.

Third Period

2. Calgary, Iginla 26 (Morrison, Tanguay) 4:59

3. Calgary, Moss 16 (Morrison) 6:58 (pp)

4. Calgary, Iginla 27 (Morrison, Tanguay) 10:48

5. Calgary, Regehr 2 (Morrison, Bourque) 13:58 (pp)

6. Calgary, Hagman 11 (Backlund) 19:55

Penalties — Shattenkirk Stl (boarding) 5:50,

Kostopoulos Cal, Janssen Stl (fighting) 7:46,

Stewart Stl (tripping) 12:42.

Shots on goal by

Calgary 16 5 8 —29

St. Louis 7 7 11 —25

Goal — Calgary: Kiprusoff (W,29-20-5); St. Louis: Bishop (L,2-3-0).

Power plays (goals-chances) — Calgary: 2-4;

St. Louis: 0-2.

Attendance — 19,150 (19,150) at St. Louis, Mo.

OILERS 2, PREDATORS 1 (SO)

First Period

1. Nashville, Geoffrion 1 (Suter, Halischuk) 12:45

2. Edmonton, Vandermeer 2 (Gagner) 13:26

Penalty — Smid Edm (interference) 17:45.

Second Period

— No Scoring.

Penalties — O'Brien Nash (slashing) 2:58,

Gilbert Edm (tripping) 11:50, Smithson Nash (holding) 14:10.

Third Period

No Scoring.

Penalties — Gagner Edm (slashing) 1:52, Fisher Nash (tripping) 10:42.

Overtime — No Scoring.

Shootout — Edmonton wins 2-1

Nashville (L) — Erat, goal; Fisher, miss; Legwand, miss; Franson, miss; Edmonton (2) — Eberle, goal; Hall, miss; Brule, miss; Omkar, goal.

Shots on goal by

Nashville 18 12 4 1—35

Edmonton 7 6 11 2—26

Goal — Nashville: Rinne (OL,22-18-7); Edmonton: Gerber (W 3-0-0). Power plays (goals-chances) — Nashville: 0-3; Edmonton: 0-3.

Attendance — 16,839 (16,839) at Edmonton.

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Sham, Chi 33 25 58

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Nash, Chi 20 37 57

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Not including last night's games

TENNIS

WTA MONTERREY OPEN

At Monterrey, Mexico

Singles — First Round

Ksenia Pervak, Russia, def. Julia Goerges (4), Germany, 6-1, 7-5.

Anastasija Sevastova (5), Latvia, def. Laura Pous-Tio, Spain, 6-2, 6-4.

Sara Errani (6), Italy, def. Johanna Larsson, Sweden, 6-2, 6-4.

Aleksandra Wozniak, Blainville, Que., def. Ximena Hernandez, Mexico, 6-2, 6-0.

Sybille Bammer, Austria, def. Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3.

Barbora Zahlavova Strycova, Czech Republic, def. Romina Oprandi, Italy, 6-0, 4-6, 6-1.

Lucie Hradecka, Czech Republic, def. Zuzana Ondrašová, Czech Republic, 6-2, 6-2.

Melanie Oudin, U.S., def. Vanja King, U.S., 6-4, 6-1.

Olga Govortsova, Belarus, def. Renata Voracova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-1.

WTA MALAYSIAN OPEN

At Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Singles — First Round

Yanina Wickmayer (3), Belgium, def. Li Jing-Jing, China, 6-3, 6-1.

Jarmila Grotth (4), Australia, def. Sun Shengnan, China, 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

Ekaterina Ivanova, Russia, def. Nina Bratchikova, Russia, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

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Like a Regal

The 2011 Regal is already making waves, but its \$33,400 base price nudges up against that of the larger LaCrosse.

This is where the Verano comes in since it will likely enter the market in the \$28,000 range, including destination charges.

It will be as well equipped as the loaded Regal, at least for its base price, but the Verano's Chevrolet-Cruze-based platform and basic body structure is actually closer in size to the Regal than you might think.

Ground-breaking

Stylistically, the Verano and the Regal share the same shape and are adorned with similar grilles, but the Verano's seem proportionally larger. The neatly contoured fenders allow very little fender-to-tire gap, which hints at a sporty side.

The cabin is pure luxury, however. Although base models will come with leatherette (vinyl) and cloth seats, premium models will feature plenty of wood trim and plumped-up leather-covered seat cushions. For any compact car, and not just a Buick small car, this is ground breaking.



► The Verano blends small size and luxury, which is a relatively new thing for North American automakers. But when you think about it, it makes perfect sense to sell well-equipped small cars.

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What does vehicle size have to do with luxury? Not much anymore.

Traditionally, compact models have been aimed at buyers seeking affordable wheels that stretched their fuel dollars to the max.

"Affordable" means limited features, of course.

However, that tradition is rapidly disappearing as vehicles, such as the upcoming 2012 Buick Verano, emerge to redefine and challenge the small-equals-cheap belief.

A Buick, redefining and challenging? You read it here first.

Upwardly creeping gasoline prices combined with pending government-legislated fuel-economy stan-

dards are changing the way North Americans think about small cars: they're beginning to actually need them.

As a result, automobiles sold in North America are starting to shrink, and engines are shrinking right along with them.

This fall's arrival of the Verano constitutes a major step in a new direction for Buick, but one that General Motors' up-level division seems fully prepared for, despite a history of large, pillow-y driving sedans.

It's unlikely that the Verano's arrival will cause BMW or Audi much concern, but it might lure buyers considering a loaded-up Honda Accord or Toyota Camry to seriously consider a Buick, which would have been virtually unheard of five years ago.



Engine

The Verano comes with a standard 177-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder engine (also standard in both Regal and LaCrosse) that's mated to a six-speed automatic transmission.

An optional 220-horsepower turbocharged unit — also optional in the Regal — will eventually migrate to the Verano lineup.



By comparison

Honda Accord EX sedan

Base price: \$29,000
Popular sedan is strong on comfort, fuel economy and driving enjoyment.



Hyundai Sonata Limited

Base price: \$30,600
All-new model is sharp-looking, roomy and offers impressive fuel economy.



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Buick hasn't yet released a full accounting of trim and content levels for the Verano, but standard items will include dual-zone climate control and 10 standard airbags.

Verano

What you should know about the 2012 Buick Verano.

- Type: Four-door entry-luxury compact sedan.
- Engine (hp): 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (177).
- Transmission: Six-speed automatic.
- Market Position: The luxury-compact-sedan segment is relatively new, at least for domestic automakers. It's driven by an increasing need for better fuel economy while still providing plenty of accoutrement. Is this the future of luxury?
- Points: Available state-of-the-art audio/communications system appeals to younger buyers.
- Stats: L/100 km (city/hwy) 10.3/6.3 (est.)

Mazda6 GT-i4

Base price: \$30,300
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Follow these tips from Transport Canada for maintaining proper winter tire pressure.

- Measure your tire pressure at least once a month.

- Measure the pressure when the tires are cold (after two hours or two kilometres of driving). Tires lose pressure when the air temperature gets colder — about one pound per square inch (seven kilopas-

cal) for every 5 C drop in temperature. Tires may also lose a certain amount of pressure due to their permeability (about two PSI or 14 kPa per month).

- Inflate your tires to the recommended pressures printed on the label inside your car door or in your owner's manual.

- Use a high quality pressure gauge such as those sold at automotive supply stores.

- Under-inflation increases rolling resistance, which reduces tread life and increases fuel consumption. It can also lead to sudden tire failure. Without enough air, the sides of a tire bend and flex too much. This builds up heat, which can cause serious damage.

- Operating a vehicle with just one tire under-inflated by eight psi (56 kPa) can reduce the life of the tire by 15,000 kilometres and

can increase the vehicle's fuel consumption by four per cent.

- Over-inflation can be a problem, too. An over-inflated tire rides on just the centre portion of the tread. The smaller contact area means reduced grip on the road, leading to a harsh ride, handling issues (such as steering and stopping problems) and increased wear on tires and suspension components.

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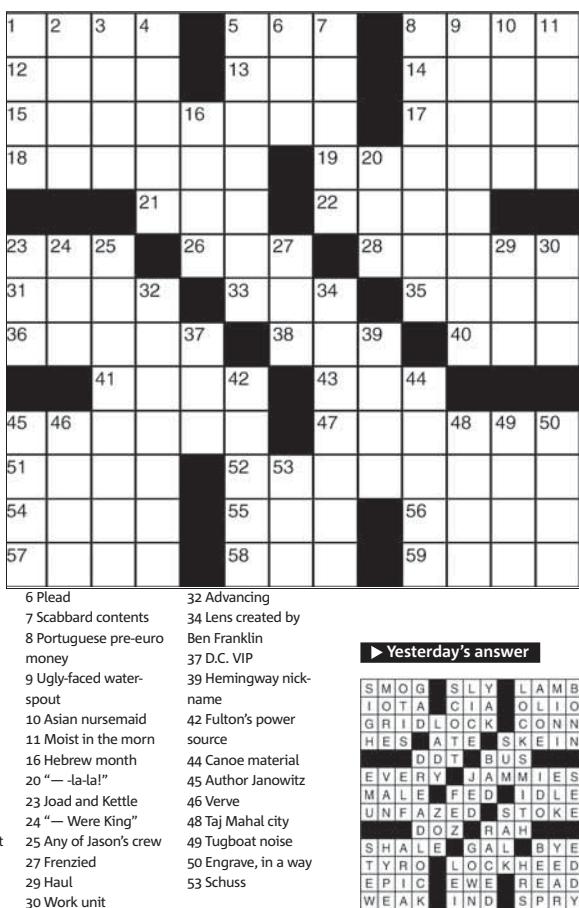
Crossword

Across

1 Seeks answers
5 Couric's network
8 "Zounds!"
12 Beehive State
13 Chop
14 Unchanged
15 Bogart-Bacall movie
17 Animal's stomach
18 Swimsuit brand
19 Red-orange fish
21 Skillet
22 Old foggy
23 Actress Zadora
26 Edge
28 Card-game rule-book
34 Frizzy coiffure
33 Taxi
35 Insult
36 Highway warnings
38 Go down slightly
40 Early bird?
41 Hasn't paid yet
43 "Great!"
45 Rent payer
47 Sedative
51 Winged
52 Snail, on a French menu
54 Tennyson poem
55 Alias abbr.
56 Gator's kin
57 Picnic invaders
58 Wire measure
59 "Thirty days —..."

Down

1 Diving birds
2 Staircase component
3 Comic Danny
4 Drag (Var.)
5 Habitual



Today's horoscope



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Aries March 21-April 20 Take care not to fall out with someone in a position of authority today. By all means, stick up for yourself and protect your interests but don't make enemies of powerful people.

Cancer June 22-July 22 You may be none too happy with what's been going on in your life, but what are you going to do about it? It's time to give some serious thought to what changes need to be made.

Taurus April 21-May 21 Don't try so hard. The more you attempt to get ahead of the curve, the more likely it is you'll make a silly mistake. You don't have to prove yourself.

Gemini May 22-June 21 If you allow yourself to fear the worst today, it could work against you by making you too cautious about a financial matter that requires an immediate and decisive response. Nothing is ever as bad as it seems. You know that.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23 You may be right to be skeptical about what you've been told but don't take it to extremes and believe that everyone is out to deceive you. If someone offers to help, chances are they are just being friendly.

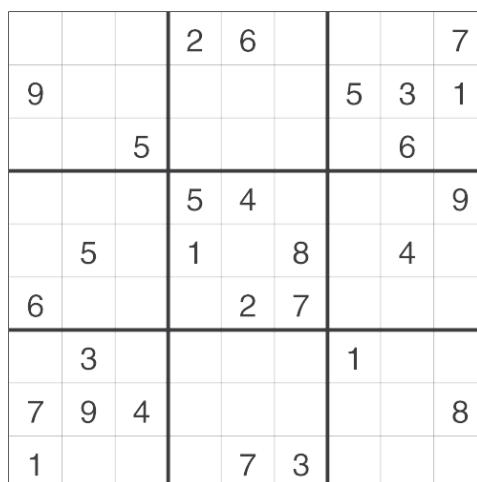
Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 Don't commit to anything you have not checked out, even if a friend tells you there is nothing to worry about. That may be true for him or her but can you be sure it is true for you?

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 If you jump to conclusions today, you may find out later that you got it totally wrong. Give loved ones the benefit of the doubt even if you suspect they are not being entirely truthful.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 This is one of those days when you will feel happier, and achieve more by following the path of least resistance. Don't worry too much about your long-term plans. All roads lead to your ultimate goal.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Try not to attach too much importance to what your five senses tell. There is a chance they will lead you astray. That applies especially to money issues.

Sudoku



► Yesterday's answer



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►



A look at the weather

TODAY Min -23° Max -13° **THURSDAY** Min -18° Max -6° **FRIDAY** Min -16° Max -7°

Andrew Schultz,
Meteorologist



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